

REMARKS

Claims 1-20 and 22-35 are pending in the application. Claims 9-12 and 22 are allowed. Claims 1-8 and 13-20 are rejected and have been canceled in the present amendment without prejudice. Claim 21 has been canceled. Claims 23-35 have been withdrawn.

CONCLUSION

In view of the remarks set forth herein, the application is believed to be in condition for allowance and a notice to that effect is solicited. Nonetheless, should any issues remain that might be subject to resolution through a telephonic interview, the examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned.

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